IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KURIAN JOSEPH

THURSDAY, THE 22ND NOVEMBER 2007 / 1ST AGRAHAYANA 1929

WP(C).No. 12296 of 2004(L)

PETITIONERS:

1. G. SREENATH, "KARTHIKA", MANGANOORKONAM, PATTOM, TRIVANDRUM.
2. N. MEENA, MOOPPANVILA, CHILAKKOOR, VARKALA P.O., PIN-695 141.
3. SIBI. K. THANKAPPAN, KONAT LAKSHMI SADAN, VADAVUKODE P.O., ERNAKULAM-682 316.

BY ADV. SRI.K.JAJU BABU
SMT.M.U.VIJAYALAKSHMI

RESPONDENTS:

1. THE DIRECTOR OF GROUND WATER DEPARATMENT, TRIVANDRUM.
2. KERALA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, REP. BY ITS SECRETARY, PATTOM, TRIVANDRUM.
*3. V. JAYAKUMARAN PILLAI, JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGISTS, GROUND WATER DEPARTMENT, DIST. OFFICE, MALAPPURAM.
4. B. PRADEEP, JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGISTS, GROUND WATER DEPARTMENT, DIST. OFFICE, KOLLAM.
5. V. SUDARSANAN, GEOLOGICAL ASSISTANT, GROUND WATER DEPARTMENT, DIST. OFFICE, PALAKKAD.

**6. RADHAKRISHNAN K., JUNIOR HYDROGEOLOGIST,
(NOW ON DEPLOYMENT TO OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR (TECHNICAL),
KERALA RURAL WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION AGENCY,
ERANHIPALAM, KOZHIKODE- 6.**

**7. BINDU GOPINATH, JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGIST,
GROUND WATER DEPARATMENT, DIST. OFFICE, '
ALAPPUZHA.**

**8. KURIAN K.I., JUNIOR HYDROGEOLOGIST,
GROUND WATER DEPARTMENT, DIST. OFFICE, ALAPPUZHA.**

**9. K. RAJAN, GEOLOGICAL ASSISTANT,
DIST. OFFICE, GROUND WATER DEPARTMENT, KOTTAYAM.**

***ADDL. R3 TO R9 ARE IMPLEADED AS PER ORDER DATED
10/01/2005 IN IA NOS. 17673/2004 AND IA 138/2005.**

**BY ADV. SRI.ALEXANDER THOMAS,SC,KPSC
ADVS. SRI.N.N.SUGUNAPALAN (SR.) -- R3 TO R5
SRI.ELVIN PETER P.J. -- R6 TO R9
GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI. PUZHAKKARA MUHAMMED**

**THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD
ON 22/11/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:**

WP(C) NO: 12296/2004 L

APPENDIX

PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS

EXT.P1. COPY OF THE RANK LIST DATED 13/08/01 OF JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGISTS.

EXT.P2. COPY OF THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ASKED BY SRI. CHENTHAMARAKSHAN, MLA ON 10/07/02 BEFORE THE FLOOR OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY REGARDING VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGIST.

EXT.P3. COPY OF THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ASKED BY SRI. K.P. RAJENDRAN, MLA DT. 21/2/2003 BEFORE THE FLOOR OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY REGARDING VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGIST.

EXT.P4. COPY OF THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ASKED BY SRI. K.P. RAJENDRAN MLA ON 24/6/03 BEFORE THE FLOOR OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY REGARDING VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGIST.

EXT.P5. COPY OF THE SENIORITY LIST OF JUNIOR HYDRO GEOLOGIST IN THE GROUND WATER DEPARTMENT.

RESPONDENT'S EXHIBITS NIL.

KURIAN JOSEPH J.

Writ Petition (Civil) No.12296 of 2004

Dated 22nd November, 2007.

J U D G M E N T

The issue raised in the writ petition pertains to appointment to the post of Junior Hydro Geologist under the Ground Water Department. It is the contention of the petitioners that the prescribed quota of 1:1 is not maintained under the Ground Water Department. There will be a direction to the first respondent to look into the grievance of the petitioners with notice to the them and additional respondents 3 to 6 and any other affected party, and take appropriate action in accordance with law for maintaining the cadre strength. The needful shall be done within four months from the date of production of a copy of the judgment. The fate of the interim orders passed by this court will depend on the action thus taken by the first respondent.

The writ petition is disposed of as above.

KURIAN JOSEPH, JUDGE.

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